

Trustees' Annual Report for the period from 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024

Reference and administration details

Charity name	142nd Sheffield Scout Group
Registered charity number (if any)	509302
HQ registration number	10012511
Charity's principal address	551 Fulwood Road Sheffield S10 5QH
Trustees	Nicola Mumby (Chair) Angela Fairchild (Secretary) David Montague (Treasurer) Keith Pitchforth (GSL) John Monaghan (DGSL) Peter Philips (Parent) Anna Craig (Parent) Karen Dunn (Parent)
Names and addresses of advisers	

Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts	
Type of governing document	The Group's governing documents are those of The Scout Association. They consist of a Royal Charter, which in turn gives authority to the Bye Laws of the Association and The Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.
How the charity is constituted	The Group is a trust established under its rules which are common to all Scouts.
Trustee selection methods	The Trustees are appointed in accordance with the Policy, Organisation and Rules of The Scout Association.
Additional governance issues	

Additional information

The Group is managed by the Group Executive Committee. Members are the 'Charity Trustees' of the Scout Group which is an educational charity. As charity trustees they are responsible for complying with legislation applicable to charities. This includes the registration, keeping proper accounts and making returns to the Charity Commission as appropriate.

The Committee consists of Chair, Treasurer and Secretary together with the Group Scout Leaders, individual section leaders (if opted to take on the responsibility) and parent's representation and meets 5 times a year.

Members of the Executive Committee complete 'Essential Information for Executive Committee' training within the first 5 months of joining the committee.

This Group Executive Committee exists to support the Group Scout Leader in meeting the responsibilities of the appointments and is responsible for:

- The maintenance of Group property;
- The raising of funds and the administration of Group finance;
- The insurance of persons, property and equipment;
- Group public occasions;
- Assisting in the recruitment of leaders and other adult support;
- Appointing any sub committees that may be required;
- Appointing Group Administrators and Advisors other than those who are elected.

Policies and procedures adopted for:

a) the induction and training of trustees;

Trustees complete a series of modules that cover the role & responsibilities of a trustee

Members of the Executive Committee complete 'Essential Information for Executive Committee' training within the first 5 months of joining the committee.

b) trustee' consideration of major risks and the systems and procedures to manage them

Risk and Internal Control The Group Executive Committee has identified the major risks to which they believe the Group is exposed, these have been reviewed and systems have been established to mitigate against them. The main areas of concern that have been identified are:

Damage to the building, property and equipment. The Group would request the use of buildings, property and equipment from neighbouring organisations such as the church, community centre and other Scout Groups. The Group has sufficient buildings and contents insurance in place to mitigate against permanent loss.

Injury to leaders, helpers, supporters and members. The Group through the capitation fees contributes to the Scout Associations national accident insurance policy. Risk Assessments are undertaken before all activities.

Reduced income from fund raising. The Group is primarily reliant upon income from subscriptions and fundraising. The group does hold a reserve to ensure the continuity of activities should there be a major reduction in income. The Committee could raise the value of subscriptions to increase the income to the group on an ongoing basis, either temporarily or permanently.

Reduction in numbers or loss of leaders. The group relies upon volunteers to run and administer the activities of the group. If there

was a reduction in the number of leaders to an unacceptable level in a particular section or the group as a whole then there would have to be a contraction, consolidation or closure of a section. In the worst case scenario the complete closure of the Group. Reduction or reduction in number of members.

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The Purpose of Scouting

Scouting exists to actively engage and support young people in their personal development, empowering them to make a positive contribution to society.

The Values of Scouting: As Scouts we are guided by these values:

Integrity: We act with integrity; we are honest, trustworthy and loyal

Respect: We have self-respect and respect for others.

Care: We support others and take care of the world in which we live.

Belief We explore our faiths, beliefs and attitudes.

Co-operation We make a positive difference; we co-operate with others and make friends.

The Scout Method

Scouting takes place when young people, in partnership with adults, work together based on the values of Scouting and:

enjoy what they are doing and have fun

take part in activities indoors and outdoors

learn by doing

share in spiritual reflection

take responsibility and make choices

undertake new and challenging activities

make and live by their Promise.

Summary of the main activities in relation to these objects

The Group provides a wide variety of activities and learning to young people between the ages of 6 and 16 years. Young People are encouraged to progress through a series of awards

Additional details of the objectives and activities (optional information but encouraged as best practice)

You may choose to include statements about:

- policy on grant making;
- contribution made by volunteers;
- policy on investments.

Adult volunteers are not required to pay a subscription to the charity

Public benefit statement

The Group meets the Charity Commission's public benefit criteria under both the advancement of education and the advancement of citizenship or community development headings.

Section D**Achievements and performance**

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

During the year the Group has held approximately 200 weekly meetings for over 200 young people.
 There have been 'Nights Away' opportunities for all ages which have been taken up by 40% of the young people
 Young people have taken part in activities organised by the Scout District

Section E**Financial Review**

Statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Reserves Policy

The Group's policy on reserves is to hold sufficient resources to continue the charitable activities of the group should income and fundraising activities fall short. The Group Executive Committee considers that the group should hold a sum equivalent to 12 months running costs, circa £25K.

Quantify and explain any designations

Details of any funds materially in deficit (circumstances plus steps to eliminate)

Further financial review details

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives;

The Group receives income from parents of the young people and claims Gift Aid on the income.

The Group Treasurer monitors the levels of bank balances and the interest rates received to ensure the group obtains maximum value and income from its banking arrangements.

The principal items of expenditure are:

Investment Policy

The Group holds its reserves with the Sheffield Scout Resources Charity. It does not invest in stocks, shares or similar

Section F**Other Optional Information**

Plans for future periods (details of any significant activities planned to achieve them)

Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved this report

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Chair

M. Murray

Secretary

Angela Farwell

Date

14.3.2025

142 Fulwood Scout Group

Receipts and Payments account

for the year from 1st April 2023 to 31st March 2024

Receipts and Payments

	2023/24	2022/23	2021/22
	(unrestricted)	(unrestricted)	(unrestricted)
	£	£	£
Receipts			
Donations, legacies and similar income			
Membership subscriptions	26,611	26,577	21,343
less: Capitation fees	(9,264)	(9,494)	(9,009)
Net membership subscriptions retained	17,347	17,083	12,334
Donations	-	-	250
Gift Aid	7,111	5,230	4,802
Sub total	24,458	22,313	17,386
Other income			
Hut Rental	6,991	5,535	2,686
Fundraising	934	1,006	1,342
Net (deficit)/surplus from Camps	1,949	(2,601)	939
Sub total	9,874	3,940	4,967
Investment income			
Interest	904	816	618
Sub total	904	816	618
Total receipts	35,236	27,069	22,971

Payments

Premises

Cleaning	3,729	2,455	1,306
Energy & Utilities	2,033	1,395	1,015
Broadband/ Internet	639	546	719
Insurance	1,502	841	798
Lease	50	50	50
Repairs & Maintenance	15,659	2,062	806
Upgrade	292	7,729	350
Sub total	23,904	15,078	5,044

Section expenses

Materials for Activities	3,408	2,923	2,147
Equipment	3,286	4,712	714
Activity Costs	4,990	4,895	3,526
Materials for Section Admin	41	-	-
Badges & Uniforms	1,606	1,759	1,376
Net Camp Expenses	-	-	-
Sub total	13,331	14,289	7,763

Group operations

Materials and Equipment	625	981	146
Fundraising Costs	442	58	23
Bank Charges	563	426	361
Group Expenses	857	1,239	630
Trustee Expenses	196	71	86
Sub total	2,683	2,775	1,246

Total payments	39,918	32,142	14,053
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Net receipts for year	(4,683)	(5,073)	8,918
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Net cash funds b / fwd	56,371	61,444	52,526
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Net cash funds c / fwd	51,688	56,371	61,444
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Statement of assets and liabilities

	2023/24	2022/23	2021/22
	(unrestricted)	(unrestricted)	(unrestricted)
	£	£	£
Cash Balances			
Section Prepaid Cards	6,442	4,546	-
SSRC Reserve Account	44,603	43,613	42,648
Group Bank Account	3,289	6,986	18,513
Group Subscriptions Account	2,818	9,183	7,504
Total cash balances	<u>57,152</u>	<u>64,328</u>	<u>68,665</u>
Other assets / (liabilities)			
Debtors	122	-	-
Explorers' Account	(5,584)	(7,957)	(7,221)
Net other liabilities	<u>(5,462)</u>	<u>(7,957)</u>	<u>(7,221)</u>
Net cash funds	<u>51,690</u>	<u>56,371</u>	<u>61,444</u>
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Contingent liabilities and future obligations - none

The above receipts and payments account and statement of assets and liabilities were approved by the Trustees on _____ and signed on their behalf by :

Nicola Mumby - Chair

Julia Westerman - Secretary



Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

**Report to the trustees/
members of**

Charity Name
142 Fulwood Scout Group

**On accounts for the year
ended**

31 March 2024

**Charity no
(if any)**

509302

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31 Mar 2025.

**Responsibilities and
basis of report**

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records
- The accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: M A O'Connell

Date: 20/09/2025

Name: Michael O'Connell

**Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):**

Address: 105 Northfield Road

Sheffield

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Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.